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#### **HALIFAX VOTES 2016**

### Plebiscites the way to engage

People should be voting for issues, not just people: Lil MacPherson



Zane Woodford Metro | Halifax

With a quarter of Halifax regional council seats acclaimed and only two candidates for mayor, this has been a tough election campaign for voter engagement.

But one of those candidates has an idea she believes could change that.

"I wish there was six or seven of us on stage running for mayor," candidate Lil MacPherson said during Metro's sit-down interview on Wednesday.

"There's a lot going on in the city, and I think there's a lot of big issues and a lot of people are upset about issues."

And those issues, MacPherson said, could be the solution to lacklustre engagement in HRM.

"I would love to have, you know, a place to vote for the candidates, and I would love to have on the side, a place to vote for issues," she said, referring to adding plebiscites to the ballot.

"I've voted my whole life, but sometimes I don't know who to vote for because I don't agree with anybody that's running at the time. And I've thought,



Mayoral candidate Lil MacPherson speaks to Metro Halifax reporters this week. JEFF HARPER/METRO

issues.' Instead of squashing your vote, I could say, 'OK, I'm going to go in and I'm going to

'God, if I could just vote for vote for something that conthings." cerns me, like climate change, or affordable housing, or poverty,' and you'd get to pick those

When Metro tackled this topic at the start of the campaign, acclaimed Coun. Tim Outhit made the same sugges-

"If we really want to get more turnout, and I think that would

Halifax municipality would know, what are the top issues that the people care about. Wouldn't that be a wonderful tool?

Lil MacPherson

be a good thing, maybe we need to go back to doing a plebiscite now and then on an important issue," he said.

For example, Outhit suggested, the municipality could hold a plebiscite on the future of Blue Mountain Birch Cove or significant transit changes.

One idea that Outhit rejected was bringing party politics to city hall.

This week, Mayor Mike Savage agreed it wasn't for Halifax, but called it a "very simple way to increase voter turnout right off the bat."

"You have air cover, you have ads, people turn out because they want to support somebody, and quite often, as we saw last year in the federal election, people turn out because they want to vote against somebody. So political parties automatically increase voter turnout because of people who've belonged to a party for a long time," he said.

"But I don't think that's what people want at the municipal level. That's not what I want."

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### Group marching in parade to the polls

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Residents in north Dartmouth are turning voting into a party.

On Saturday morning, many residents will meet at the Dartmouth North Community Food Centre at 9 a.m. and will walk together in a voting parade.

They'll stop at the polling station at the Dartmouth North Community Centre and pose for a photo before going in to vote.

It's all part of an eight-

CORRECTION

Lil MacPherson's answer

to the taxi question

Due to an editing error

in Thursday's paper, Lil

week, get out the vote campaign called Speak Up. Show

It was organized by the first graduates of the Dartmouth North Community Food Centre's Community Peer Advocate program.

The group says Dartmouth North is responsible for one third of the votes for their district but voting rates are eight or nine times lower than the rest of the area. METRO



E-voting numbers are down compared to the last municipal election. JEFF HARPER/METRO

### Not off to a good start

MacPherson's answer to a question was printed incorrectly. The following is her true

answer. Metro regrets the

After the recent string of alleged sexual assaults by cab drivers, what would you do to make women feel safe in taxis in Halifax?

"That's a tough one, because I've taken cabs my whole life, and being in the bar industry, the service industry, I've walked home at two o'clock in the morning, three o'clock in the morning through the streets trying to get to my car, and it is really unnerving.

I think we go to the cab drivers to see where the solutions are because

I'm not a cab driver. But people are talking about having cameras. And if I get in a cab, women should say, 'Hello, cab No. 135, good evening." Have your phone next to you. Know the cab driver. I think, as a business person, a business owner, I look at the people that own these cab companies.

There's an opportunity for them to go, OK, we're gonna filter all our guys again, and give them more workshops on this issue, about how to make people feel more comfortable and safe in a cab. Because when I grew up I felt safe in cab.

I couldn't wait to get a cab, because I was home, I wasn't walking the streets anymore or trying to get a cab. I wanted to get home at two in the morning after I just got off work. I don't think cabs are unsafe; I think there's some unsafe."

ELECTION

#### E-voting numbers down by more than 10K from 2012

Jennifer Taplin For Metro | Halifax

E-voting and phone voting is down this election as opposed to 2012.

Kevin Arjoon, municipal clerk, said he's not sure why the numbers are down, but it can't be due to lack of advertising. He said they've taken

out ads on radio and in newspapers as well as on billboards and social media.

"I'm not sure what we could do better but I'm willing to go out to the public in 2017 and ask because we're going to be doing some follow-up," Arjoon said.

In the last municipal election in 2012, 66,272 people voted by e-vote and phone (22.2 per cent of the entire vote).

At the close of e-voting Thursday, the HRM registered 55,788 electronic and telephone votes.

HRM has been e-voting since 2008 and Arjoon said it continues to be a very valuable tool.

"We want to make it more

easy, convenient and simple," Arjoon said. "If we can do this and help people out with their in their busy lifestyles and hectic work days, I'm all for it."

A self-proclaimed optimist, Arjoon said he's hoping for a busy day at the polls on Saturday.

"At the end of the day I just want to make sure that everyone who did want to cast a ballot does and that we're in compliance with legislation," he said.

The voter help line has been staffed 12 hours a day, taking mostly calls regarding technical problems with e-voting and polling stations, Arjoon said.

This time around staff at the

HOW TO VOTE

The window for e-voting and telephone voting closed Thursday, but the big day at the polls is Saturday.

Cast your ballot in person: polls open at 8 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

If you have any questions on where to vote, go to halifax.ca/election or call the voter help line at 902-490-8683.

polling stations have received extra training on improving the voter experience like reducing line up and a seamless process.



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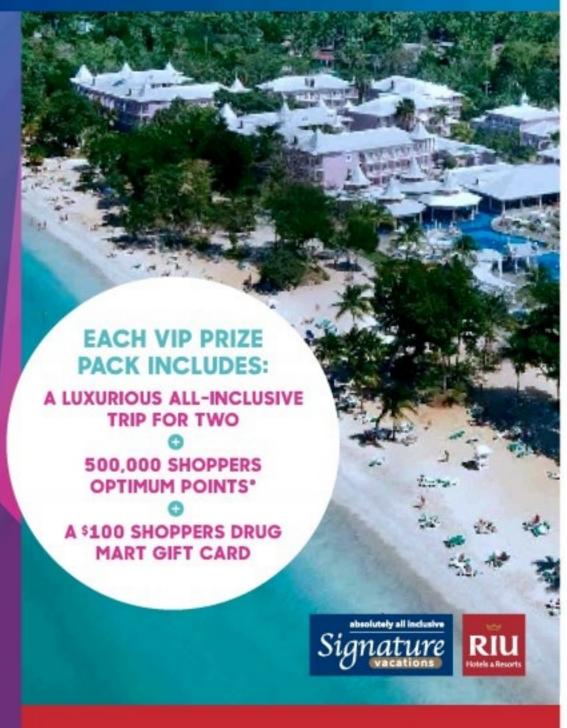
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### Blue Jays fever migrating east

BASEBALL

Female support to the fore as city goes wild for postseason



Haley Ryan Metro | Halifax

There's no doubt about it: Blue Jays fever has meant a home run for some Halifax stores and bars.

Toronto Blue Jays hats and clothing have been flying off the shelves for the past couple of weeks, but especially late last week when R.U.A. Sports Fanatic at Sunnyside Mall got in their post-season items, said manager Stephanie Nicholson.

"It picked up majorly recently," Nicholson said Thursday.

Customers were excited about the "We came to rain" t-shirts and sweaters, which have nearly sold out, Nicholson said. The most in-demand players have been Kevin Pillar and Josh Donaldson, followed



As the Blue Jays stage another postseason push, female Halifax fans in particular have joined the party. CARLOS OSORIO/TORONTO STAR

by Troy Tulowitzki and Marcus Stroman.

After the team's exciting run last year, Nicholson said the Jays have been "a lot more popular" this year as people get

"comfortable" with the idea the team could perform well.

"It's back to 1991/92/93 days," Nicholson said with a

More than any other team,

Nicholson said she's noticed large numbers of women buying Jays merchandise, especially hats, to show off their

It's a trend Marcel Khoury,

co-owner of the HFX Sports Bar & Grill, also noticed during Jays games.

I just looked at the back section of our bar ... and I would say the majority of the seats

**READY** TO ROLL

Game 1 of the ALCS between Cleveland and Toronto Blue Jays goes Friday night with first pitch at 8:08 p.m.

were women watching it, definitely," Khoury said.

Overall, Khoury said baseball fans come hours before the games and are more deckedout than any other sport. The bar has even reached capacity during recent playoff games.

"It's a big deal for us, it means a lot to our bottom line. We're heavily reliant on Canadian teams doing well," Khoury said.

Khoury chalks up the widespread excitement around the Blue Jays to the fact they're Canada's one shot, similar to the Toronto Raptors in basket-

[They] have a special kind of Canadian feel to it. It's not just a particular team or a city, like if you were a Leafs fan or a Habs fan. This is a national team," Khoury said.

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#### **VOTING DAY** is Saturday, October 15 8am to 7pm

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#### Rock fans get ready to Rodeo

Blue Rodeo has announced details of their new album and an accompanying cross-Canada tour that includes a stop in Halifax.

The concert is scheduled for Halifax's Scotiabank Centre on Feb. 25.

In a press release issued Thursday, it was announced

the band's 14th studio album, 1000 Arms, is being released on Oct. 28.

Fans pre-ordering the album will automatically receive four tracks, including the first single Superstar.

CD and heavy-weight vinyl can be ordered beginning today from www.bluerodeo.com. Fans can buy digital copies of 1000 Arms or stream Superstar and three more songs HERE.

The 1000 Arms album was recorded over the winter of 2015. Tickets for the 1000 Arms Tour go on sale Oct. 28. Every ticket will include a digital copy of the album.

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### Sandwiches with a side of more space

RETAIL

#### **Bigger fillings** on the menu as Canteen moves to Portland St.

A popular sandwich shop is moving, expanding and adding to the Portland Street

The Canteen is moving from its perch above Two if by Sea into a brand new residentialretail-restaurant space coming soon to Portland Street.

Two years ago, Renee Laval-lee opened The Canteen above the Dartmouth-loving coffee shop on Ochterloney Street. Her vibrant fare was a hit, but she was soon bursting at the

A friend purchased the vacant Sun Sun Cafe building on Portland Street and asked Lavallee if she was interested in moving.

"We thought, why not take the plunge? We need more

space here anyway and my lease is coming up," Lavallee

In January The Canteen will close their current location and open their new one within days of each other. The move will double her current seating and allow for an expanded menu of lunch, dinner and weekend brunch.

"We want to bring a neighbourhood restaurant to downtown Dartmouth. It's going to be a very open, friendly space," Lavallee said.

Lavallee said she's looking forward to being a part of what's happening on Portland Street.

"Back in the '20s and '30s Portland Street was the place to be," she said. "Now with Joel Plaskett's New Scotland Yard

Emporium, Bodega Boutique, and so many businesses that have chosen Portland Street, we figured why wouldn't we have a neighbourhood restaurant there?"

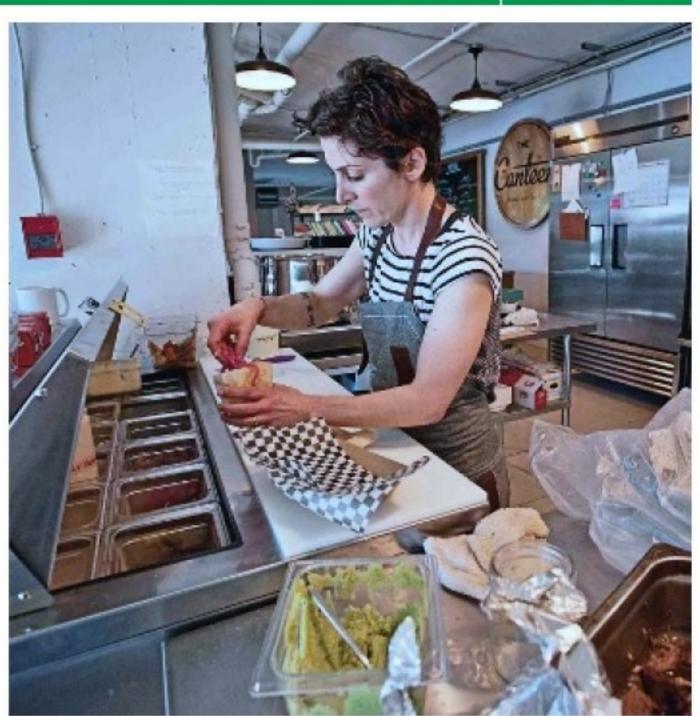
Marc Rickard, owner of The Bike Pedaler on Portland Street. said he's excited for The Canteen for several reasons.

For one, it will be great to have an option for family dining since there's not much in the area, he said.

"And the lower block here was the last spot that hadn't had much of a revitalization but we've seen that change recently," Rickard said. "It's really great to see so much change even in this one block. In my opinion this is going to be the best block of Portland Street." JENNIFER TAPLIN/FOR METRO

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Marc Rickard, The Bike Pedaler



Renee Lavallee opened The Canteen two years ago and her business has been growing ever SINCE, JEFF HARPER/METRO



### Group tracking bicycle usage on street

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#### Hard data on cyclist numbers useful in urban planning



A new bicycle counter will hope-

fully lead to a "level playing field" between bikes and cars when it comes to street planning, advocates say.

The Halifax Cycling Coalition (HCC) and Dalhousie Transportation Collaboratory (DalTRAC) set up an ECO-Counter on Agricola Street last Monday with support from HRM, which is the city's first on-street continuous counter, said HCC executive director Kelsey Lane.

Anyone can see the data on

the eco-public.com website, and as of Thursday the average south-bound bike count per day was 193. The highest daily count so far was last Friday with 288.

"You see almost a nine per cent mode share for that one street, so that's comparable to other cities like Victoria and Vancouver that are around 12 per cent," Lane said Thursday.

Before the ECO counter, Lane said HRM had three older bikecounting models and 30 for cars — but they weren't consistent and the data had to be sent away for evaluation at a price of \$200, leading to "unequal priority" placed on cars.

At \$5,000 each including the online platform, Lane said the funding for the three HCC counters included district funding from Coun. Jennifer Watts.

DalTRAC is hoping to install one of their two counters on University Avenue this fall, Lane said, but since the devices can't be used with snow on the ground they will wait until next year to install the others — likely on Devonshire Avenue or South Park Street.

Getting hard data around how many people cycle on certain roads can help take the "emotion" out of planning decisions, Lane said.

"I hope it will ... really generate a more level playing field for the conversation about bicycle lanes," Lane said.



A cyclist heads down
Agricola Street on Thursday.

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ENFIELD

### Rapper stands by criticism of judge

A popular Canadian rapper from Enfield says he can't understand why a prominent lawyers' group is condemning his angry response to a controversial sexual-assault sentencing.

Classified — whose real name is Luke Boyd — took to Facebook earlier this month asking supporters to tell a judge they were unhappy with a five-year sentence handed to a man who sexually assaulted an 11-year-old Newfoundland girl.

On Tuesday, the Newfoundland and Labrador branch of the Canadian Bar Association said the rapper's "personal attack" on the judge "is inappropriate and threatens judicial independence," although it didn't identify Classified by name.

In a response posted on Facebook Thursday, Classified said asking people to email a judge "doesn't seem like much of an attack compared to what that little girl went through."

And he asked why the bar association criticized him, rather than questioning how the legal system treats rape victims.

"I received over 500 emails from people. People I don't know. That told me what they THE BEEF

Justice William Goodridge had sentenced Christopher

Butt to five years in prison followed by three years' probation following Butt's guilty plea to sexual assault and uttering threats. The sentence — the minimum for the offence — was jointly recommended by the Crown and defence.

have went through, whether it was rape, being molested as a child and put through some horrible things and how all of their accusers got off with next to nothing," Classified, who lives in Enfield, N.S., said in his Facebook post.

"Every time I read one of their stories it hits me again and blows my mind that the people in proper power and that understand the system a lot better than myself (and have put me down for addressing it the wrong way) do nothing to change these laws so that the judge can sentence these messed-up people a lot longer."

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Emmanuel Jarus, an artist from Saskatchewan, works on a mural on the side of a building at Mulgrave Park on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/ METRO

### Murals and music

live shows at Mulgrave Park this weekend



Mulgrave Park is opening

its doors to welcome artists Community art, from all over the country this weekend to the Paint the Park from all over the country this Mural Festival.

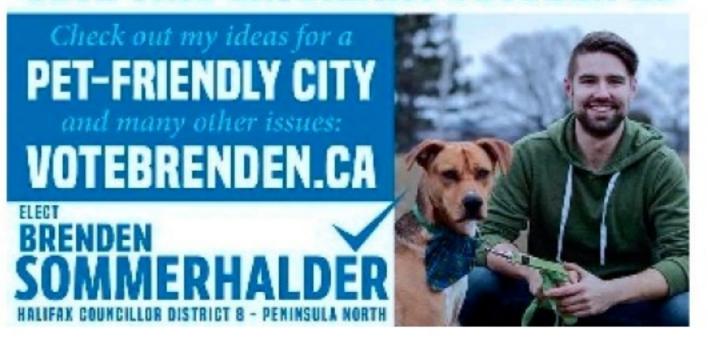
> The first annual event, put on by East Coast Lifestyle and the Blackbook Collective, will see major mural artists creating works of art all weekend long using existing blank walls as a canvas.

The goal is to bring awareness and positivity to the community, all while raising money for community art and a sports field within the park.



The festival ends Sunday with a big reveal party from noon until 4pm, which will also feature music from Quake Matthews and JRDN.

#### **VOTE THIS SATURDAY! OCTOBER 15**



### Autumn events to leaf through

From night art to a nation at war, here are five things to do in Halifax this weekend. YVETTE D'ENTREMONT METRO

#### **Giant Book Sale**

More than 12,000 gently used books along with some CDs and DVDs will be up for grabs as the Women for Music Society hosts its used book sale. The two-day event happens Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Halifax Forum. Funds raised support Symphony Nova Scotia, the NS Youth Orchestra and other local groups supporting music.

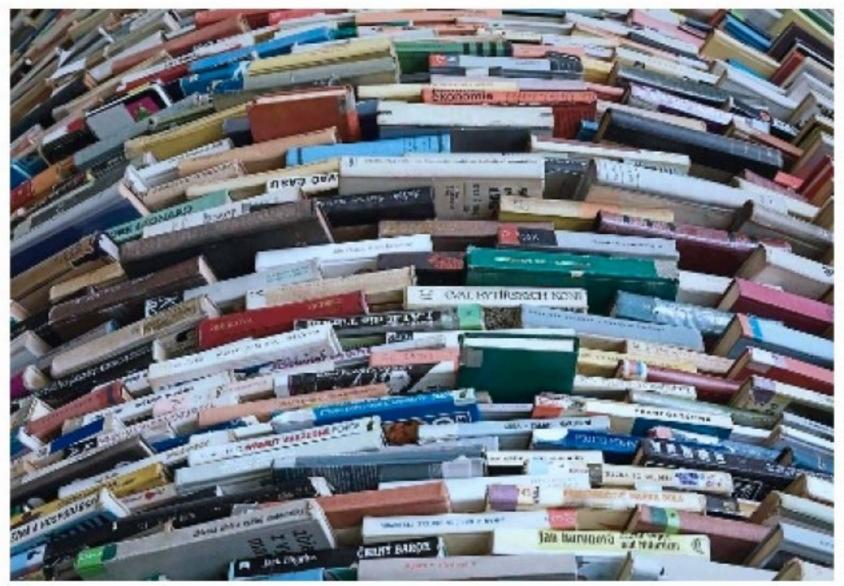
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#### **Nocturne: Artat Night**

The free fall festival that brings art and thousands of people to the downtown streets of Halifax and Dartmouth happens Saturday. From 6 p.m. to midnight, the visual arts scene is showcased in galleries and various public spaces - often in creative and unexpected ways. The Nocturne program guide can be downloaded from nocturnehalifax.ca.

(Saturday)





#### A Nation at War

This Saturday, Parks Canada welcomes visitors to the Halifax Citadel to discover the role the citadel played during both the First and Second World Wars. There will be a special focus on the participation of women in the Canadian Forces. Among the displays, visit a First World War trench exhibit and view the reconstructed Casualty Clearing Station (medical tent). (Saturday)



#### Light the Night

Red and white illuminated lanterns will shine through the darkness at the Garrison Grounds on Saturday night. View the bright sight and support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Canada fundraiser. The twilight event runs from 5 to 8 p.m. (Saturday)



#### **Bluenose Ghosts Festival**

Alderney Landing is the place to be for Halloween-based fun every weekend from now until Oct. 31. The Dartmouth festival includes the 'Fear the Darkness' haunted house (parental discretion advised), a family-friendly monster mini-putt, a simulated casket ride, and a walking (or virtual) tour of the Geary Street cemetery. More details can be found at bluenoseghostsfestival.com. (Saturday)





#### Premier is mum on next step for teachers

The next move in Nova Scotia's simmering contract dispute with its teachers is up to the union, says Premier Stephen McNeil.

McNeil wouldn't tip his hand Thursday when asked whether the government would legislate the teachers back to work in the event of a potential strike.

The Nova Scotia Teachers Union has scheduled a strike vote for its 9,000 members for Oct. 25.

"They'll have to determine whether or not they want to go on strike," said McNeil. "That is part of their contract ... it's an option they have and that's a decision they will make."

The union recently rejected the government's most recent contract offer with about 70 per cent of the membership who voted saying no. Teachers also rejected an earlier tentative settlement in a vote last November by a 61-per-cent margin.

In both votes, the executive had recommended its members accept the contract.



#### There is no more money.

Premier Stephen McNeil

McNeil said the government remains willing to talk about non-contract issues to support teachers in the classroom.

"There is no more money," he said. "We will continue to improve the learning environment, but now the union and the teachers will have to make their decision on what's next for them."

The union has planned information meetings for its members early next week.

The government has requested that a conciliator file a report on the contract negotiations and once that happens the union would have to wait 44 days before it could give a 48-hour strike notice.

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Lt.-Gov. J.J. Grant inspects the guard before the throne speech at the opening of a new session of the legislature at Province House, in Halifax on Thursday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

### Grits' speech draws anger

POLITICS

#### Adult learners and first-time homebuyers promised help

Nova Scotia's Liberal government tabled its second throne speech Thursday, drawing a scathing review from opposition parties who described it as "thin soup" filled with "bromides, abstractions and generalities."

The speech, read in the legislature by Lt.-Gov. J.J. Grant, largely touted the government's achievements over its three years in power, but offered few new major initiatives.

The government offered two new promises, including a pledge to eliminate the \$43.80 testing fee for those taking the general education diploma, and assistance for first-time homebuyers through a down payment assistance pilot program.

"Buying a first home remains a challenge to staying in the province," the speech states. "In the new year, my government will explore ways to break down the barriers to home ownership."

The speech said that along with removing the GED fee the government would also launch a review of the province's adult learning system.

There were no details offered on either program, although the government later said that 840 people had taken the GED in 2014-15. Based on the number provided and the cost of the fee, its elimination would cost around \$37,000.

There was also a promise to create a new body called Research Nova Scotia that would combine existing provincial research bodies into a single entity. The new Crown corporation would establish a new research fund to support projects that are of particular interest to the province.

Progressive Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie was less than impressed.

"We've never seen such thin soup at the legislature," the leader of the Official Opposition said.

"This is the third year of this government and there's still nothing to create jobs and to get the cost of living down."

Baillie pointed out that even things that were mentioned in the speech such as mental health and a plan to address doctor shortages in rural areas were scant on details.

NDP Leader Gary Burrill said the government rolled out a "wheelbarrow full of words," that mean little in a time when there are nursing home cuts and teachers who say they aren't being supported enough in the classroom.

"This was a wonderful sounding kind of high-flying bunch of bromides, abstractions and generalities without any real content," he said.

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### missing men cases



The cases of two missing Halifax men have been added to the provincial government's Rewards for Major Unsolved Crimes Program.

Police and the provincial government are hoping to receive more information about the disappearances of Daniel Baker, last seen in 1997, and Ian MacKeigan, last seen in 1984.

MacKeigan was reported missing on Oct. 25, 1984, at 11 p.m. He was last seen by a family member as he left his residence on Manor Lane, Halifax, driving a red 1978 Plymouth Horizon TC3 hatchback.

MacKeigan said he was going to meet friends, possibly at the former Palace Nightclub on Brunswick Street. He hasn't been seen since.

In the second case, Daniel Baker left his Preston Street residence on Dec. 12, 1997, at about 11 p.m. He was going to walk to a local restaurant on Quinpool Road. It hasn't been

confirmed if Baker made it to his destination and he hasn't been heard from since.

Anyone who shares information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or people responsible for these disappearances could receive up to \$150,000.

"Based on the investigations, we believe there are people who have information that they haven't yet provided to police," said Supt. Jim Perrin. officer-in-charge of the integrated criminal investigation division.

Halifax Regional Police. Anyone with information should call the Rewards for Major Unsolved Crimes Program at 1-888-710-9090.



**Daniel Baker and Ian** MacKeigan. SUPPLIED

#### IN BRIEF

maximum security denied A federal inmate involved in 32 incidents in provincial

Inmate's appeal to avoid

jail in Dartmouth had his application to avoid maximum security prison thrown out.

A ruling released this week details how Nicholas Richard Brauss, a first-time

federal inmate at Springhill Institution serving three years for break, enter and theft, appeared in Nova Scotia Supreme Court in September under a Habeas Corpus application. Brauss was reclassified a maximum security risk in June and placed in segregation awaiting transfer. TO MEDIA

### Rewards offered in Teacher 'sickened' by her sex crimes

#### **Hood shows** remorse at sentencing hearing

The judge will give his sentencing decision in the Carolyn Amy Hood trial on Dec. 14.

Sentencing submissions were entered Thursday in Pictou Provincial Court during a former Pictou County school teacher's hearing.

The Crown has asked the court to consider four years, while the defence is asking for a conditional sentence order of one year for each charge to run concurrently for a total of one year.

Hood was found guilty of four sex-related charges in April 2016. The charges, which include two counts of luring, sexual interference and sexual exploitation, were laid in relation to offences involving minors from Feb. 1 to Sept. 30, 2013.

She was teaching Grade 6 at Thorburn Consolidated at the time. The defence argued during an eight-day trial in October 2015 that Hood was not criminally responsible at the time because of a mental disorder, but the court wasn't convinced by this argument and rendered guilty verdicts



Carolyn Amy Hood at Pictou provincial court on Thursday. TC MEDIA

on all four charges.

Hood addressed the court and said she made a horrible decision that affects the victims' lives, their families, and her own family's lives. She said she was deceitful in her actions. She went on to say she betrayed the trust of the

I am very sorry for the pain and drama that I caused both families.

Carolyn Amy Hood

victims, the school board, her co-workers, students and the entire school community.

"I am sickened. I hurt so many people through this experience. Not an hour goes by that it doesn't consume me," she said.

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### 'A complete human rights travesty'

CHINA

### **Political** prisoner's family fighting for his freedom



On a quiet, 15-acre farm in Port Coquitlam, B.C., 35 kilometres east of Vancouver, Wang Jin Huan looked out her window across the Pitt River.

Holding a framed family photo in her hands, the 73-yearold wiped her eyes with a crumple tissue when asked about her younger brother, imprisoned in China's Shaoguan prison almost 10,000 km away.

"Every day, we think of how to get him out," Jin Huan told Metro in her home. "He didn't do any bad things. He just wanted China to be good and talked about human rights."

Wang Bingzhang, now 69, twice braved his country's ban on unauthorized political activities, publicly starting two pro-



Wang Jin Huan, 73, holds a family portrait. In the picture is her brother Wang Bingzhang, who is serving a life sentence in a Chinese prison. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO hoping to spur his release. CONTRIBUTED

to get the Canadian government to take up his case.

Jin Huan smiled proudly as she showed a photograph of Bingzhang's daughter in Mont-

"She was born in 1989, after the Tiananman Square (massacre)," Ji Huan said. "So her name is Ti-Anna, for Tiananman."

Ti-Anna has spearheaded the family's fight, maintaining a

website on his case and meeting with Canadian and U.S. officials.

She was 13 when her father disappeared in Vietnam, only to resurface in Chinese prison facing what human rights organizations allege were politically motivated charges of spying and terrorism.

Global Affairs Canada said his case "is of serious concern," though noting he's a Chinese not Canadian citizen. In an

email, spokeswoman Kristine Racicot said Canada "has raised the case repeatedly with the Government of China," most recently during Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Chinese visit

last month. The government also backed

before the Canadian and U.S. governments

a recent United Nations call for China to "release immediately and without conditions all political prisoners," she added.

"Obviously, we want a bigger

commitment - for them to be more vocal," Ti-Anna said. "But this is huge progress compared to the previous government."

Amnesty International Canada's secretary-general told Metro that Bingzhang's case "is a complete human rights

"There's not a shred of evidence that gives any support to China's allegation," Alex Neve said in a phone interview. "Everything has been so unbelievably secretive about his case.

"Instead, we have a man who has been locked up cruelly, in harsh conditions of solitary confinement ... for 14 years."

He argued the human rights situation in China "remains dire, and if anything in recent years has deteriorated."

"Human rights organizations, human rights defenders and human rights lawyers are increasingly coming under siege," Neve said. "They're being arrested, a number have even disappeared in police custody ... It's a very worrying sign.

"It is increasingly clear that China is less and less concerned or interested in what the rest of the world thinks about human rights issues."





democracy opposition parties

under a regime notorious for

its widespread use of torture,

disappearances and mass exe-

cutions, according to Amnesty

denied visitors for four years,

one thing Jin Huan does know

for certain: her brother spends

much of his time thinking about

his family, scattered across Can-

ada but united in their crusade

Despite Bingzhang being

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pockets of Europe. But Valls, who was on Parliament Hill for the first day of a two-day visit to Canada, offered

France's visiting prime minister

plunged head-first Thursday into

next month's U.S. presidential

election, saying he supports Hil-

lary Clinton over Donald Trump,

while host Justin Trudeau was

barely willing to get his feet wet.

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ing of liberalized trade - by

affirming their mutual support

for a Canada-EU free trade deal

that faces growing resistance in

Manuel Valls and Trudeau did

an unequivocal take on the Nov. 8 election: Clinton is the preferred choice, he said.

no punches on Donald Trump

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and French Prime Minister Manuel Valls in Parliament Hill in

Visiting French leader pulls

Ottawa on Thursday, SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.S. President Barack Obama was "elected by the world" and "Trump is rejected by the world," Valls said in French during a pre-dawn breakfast at France's embassy, attended by a small group of invited journalists.

Valls, who arrived in Ottawa late Wednesday, said he and Trudeau had discussed the U.S. election the previous evening, but he refused to divulge precisely what his Canadian counterpart said.

"We were laughing about it yesterday with Justin. It's up to the American people to make the decision," Valls said through an embassy-provided translator.

He and Trudeau also talked about Trump's influence on "spirits in Europe," he added.

"The only personality in France that is comparable to Trump is Marine Le Pen," Valls noted, referring to France's controversial right-wing politician.

"We hope for Hillary Clinton for an international relationship and also for Russia because it's concerning the role that Russia seems to have played in this campaign."

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### Roundabouts gain ground in Canada

#### **Design reduces** conflicts to eight from 32, expert says

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But, as the roundabout becomes increasingly common in Canada, they can also evoke a certain panic: Confused motorists have been known to go the wrong way, fail to yield, or try to back up in them.

"We've observed all sorts of behaviours," said Keith Boddy, a roundabout specialist with the Transportation Association of Canada.

A typical intersection creates about 32 plausible vehicle conflicts with other drivers, pedestrians and cyclists, said



Vehicles travel through a roundabout in Halifax. Studies have shown that roundabouts are safer than traditional stop sign or signal-controlled intersections. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ed Miska, executive director of engineering services for B.C.'s Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. Roundabouts reduce that to eight conflicts, even if people still find innovative ways of getting them wrong.

Boddy estimates there are now about 400 roundabouts across the country, as Canada and the U.S. slowly catch up to

a roadway design that has been widespread in the United Kingdom and France for decades.

Ouebec has built around 100 of them since the late 1990s. The Waterloo Region in Ontario has about 25 and there are 33 in B.C.'s provincial highway network. Halifax has installed several in recent years, and is adding more.

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**UNITED NATIONS** 

#### **Guterres promises** 'diplomacy for peace'

Antonio Guterres pledged Thursday to make the pursuit of peace in a conflict-torn world his "overarching priority" after being elected the next secretary-general of the United Nations. The former UN refugee chief told the members of the UN General Assembly that he will be promoting a new "diplomacy for peace" advocating dialogue.

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Antonio Guterres AP

#### 65 dead in Aleppo over three days: Activists

dozen airstrikes on rebel-held parts of the Syrian city of Aleppo killed at least 11 people, bringing the death toll over the last three days in the embattled city to at least 65, activists said Thursday.

Meanwhile, rebel shelling of government-held areas in the divided city killed two girls at a school. The airstrikes came a day after an air raid hit eastern

Overnight shelling and over a Aleppo's biggest market, killing at least 15 people and levelling buildings.

> Aleppo's unabating violence has given additional urgency to the upcoming meeting between Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry on efforts to find a peace deal in Syria in Switzerland on Saturday.

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Tribesmen loyal to Houthi rebels hold their weapons on Oct. 2, as they chant slogans during a gathering to mobilize more fighters into battlefronts in Yemeni cities. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

## U.S., Yemen on the brink

#### U.S. Navy says it has destroyed three Houthi radar sites

By firing missiles into Yemen, the United States likely will be further entangled in a stalemate war in the Arab world's poorest country, a conflict it has sought to extract itself from in. But who exactly is fighting in Yemen and what does the U.S. have to do it with it?

1 THE BEGINNING OF WAR Yemen, on the southern edge of the Arabian Peninsula, has been in the midst of a civil war since September 2014. That's when Shiite rebels, known as Houthis, swept into the capital of Sanaa and overthrew the country's government, Houthi allies include forces loyal to Yemen's former President Ali Abdullah Saleh and have the backing of Shiite power Iran. In March 2015, a Saudi-led coalition of Arab countries began a military campaign against the Houthi forces, saying its mission served in part as a counterbalance to Iran's influence.

#### 2 A STALLED OFFENSIVE

Since launching its campaign, the Saudi-led coalition retook the port city of Aden and lands in southern Yemen. However, Sanaa and the Houthi heartland of northern

Yemen remain held by the rebels. A ground offensive to retake the capital, which likely would involve streetby-street fighting and heavy casualties, appears unlikely. Instead, the Saudiled campaign has relied on airstrikes. However, a UN report said coalition airstrikes were responsible for 60 percent of civilian deaths over a yearlong span starting in July 2015.

O AN INCREASINGLY WARY U.S. After the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, the U.S. launched drone strikes against suspected al-Qaida militant targets in the country from a local military base and provided Yemen with hundreds of millions of dollars in security assistance. American troops were evacuated from Yemen amid the latest Houthi push, but airstrikes targeting al-Qaida have continued. U.S. forces offered targeting guidance to the Saudiled coalition and logistical assistance at the beginning of their campaign.

#### EXCHANGING MISSILE

FIRE The USS Mason, an American destroyer, has come under missile fire twice in recent days in the Red Sea from Houthiheld territory in Yemen, according to the U.S. Navy. In response, the Navy said it fired Tomahawk missiles at three coastal radar sites held by the Houthis - the first direct American attack in the War. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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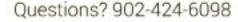
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Sacks of rice are loaded onto a truck after being delivered by a U.S. military helicopter, in the mountain village of Beaumont, near Jeremie, Haiti, on Wednesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Hurricane relief enters new phase

NATURAL DISASTER

#### Food, clean water begin to reach isolated communities

An international relief effort for victims of Hurricane Matthew entered a more advanced stage Thursday as a second U.S. military ship arrived off Haiti's coast and UN convoys and nongovernment organizations began reaching more isolated communities.

Food, clean water and construction materials have begun pouring into the southwestern peninsula, though many people there still say they've seen little

Those working to send everything from water purification systems to building materials say the scope of the damage from Matthew and the difficulty reaching people create logistical challenges similar to those faced after the devastating earthquake that struck the crowded capital and surrounding areas in January 2010.

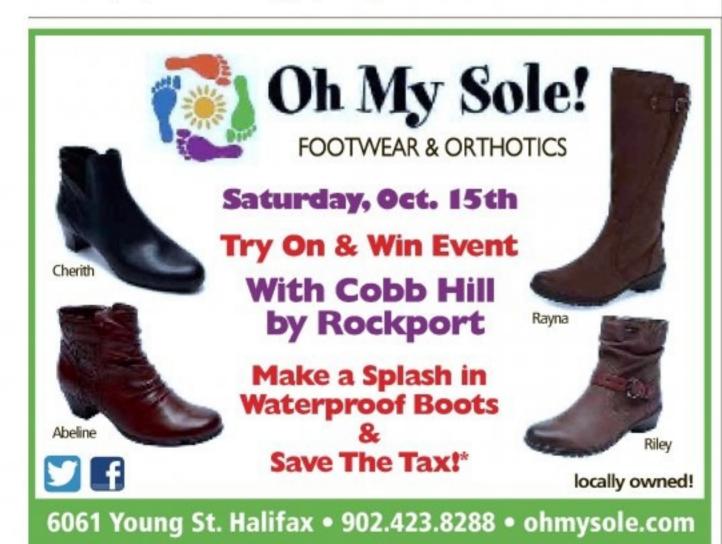
The Haitian government says more than 1.4 million people urgently need humanitarian assistance. The official death toll is 473, though local officials have reported figures suggesting it will eventually be higher, and the homes of more than 120,000 families were damaged or destroyed. Many people across the ruggedly scenic peninsula have

watched passing aid trucks in growing frustration.

"I'm looking at my life and I don't know what to do. It seems like somebody is getting help but it is not us," said Watson Hypolite, a 66-year-old in the badly-hit Grande Anse district of Beaumont.

Teams from the Haitian Red Cross and Civil Protection agency have fanned out across the peninsula and large convoys from the UN and the migration agency are seen more throughout the disaster zone. On Wednesday, the U.S. military made 13 helicopter flights to hardto-reach areas with 159 metric tons of food supplies, the U.S. Agency for International Development said.

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### Robo-advisers appeal to younger investors

#### Digital service ideal for a specific savings goal: Expert

Like a lot of young people who want to start saving for the future, Rachel Jackson is interested in using a robo-adviser - even if she's not entirely sure how such digital investment services work.

For the 27-year-old office administrator. robo-advisers sound appealing because they're advertised as offering professionally managed portfolio advice at a relatively low cost. Equally enticing to her tech-savvy leanings is the fact that accounts can be conveniently set up through her smartphone within minutes.

Still, Jackson has some concerns - namely, how robo-advisers actually stack up against

conventional full-service advisers using mutual funds, and how much money she'll need to get an account started.

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Robo-advisers are advertised as offering professionally managed portfolio advice at a relatively low charge tends to be around the half per cent range," says Heath.

Robo-advisers are also ideal for people who are attracted to ETF investing but don't feel comfortable using a discount brokerage on their own, says Dan Bortolotti, an investment adviser with PWL Capital.

As for how much investment money you need to open a robo-adviser account, some services such as Wealthsimple have no account minimums

and charge no portfolio management fees on the first \$5,000 invested.

"Think about someone who is 18 years old and just going to university, or starting out their first job at 20 years old, and maybe they're saving some money in cash for a car down payment or a house down payment and they've got this little TFSA or RRSP with free investment management," says Heath. "That's pretty awesome." THE CANADIAN PRESS

### New rules' impact 'impossible to say'

Finance Minister Bill Morneau says it's "impossible to say with absolute clarity" what the impacts of new mortgage rules introduced by Ottawa earlier this month will be.

"What we expect will happen is that as people look towards taking on a mortgage, they will do what most people are already doing and ensure that they take on a mortgage that's appropriate for their situation," Morneau told reporters in Toronto Thursday.

"And if it contributes to them looking more carefully at whether the mortgage is the

right size for them ... that'll be a positive for their family and a positive for the economy."

The federal government announced a series of changes aimed at stabilizing the country's housing markets, including tightening mortgage rules that will put new limits on how much some buyers can borrow.

The new rules mean that as of Oct. 17, all insured mortgages will have to undergo a stress test to make sure borrowers will still be able to make their payments even if interest rates go up in the future. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### IN BRIEF

#### Border beer battle brews

A New Brunswick judge has reserved decision on whether a crossborder beer battle can be appealed directly to the province's highest court.

Government lawyers are seeking leave to appeal the April ruling that threw out limits on alcohol imports. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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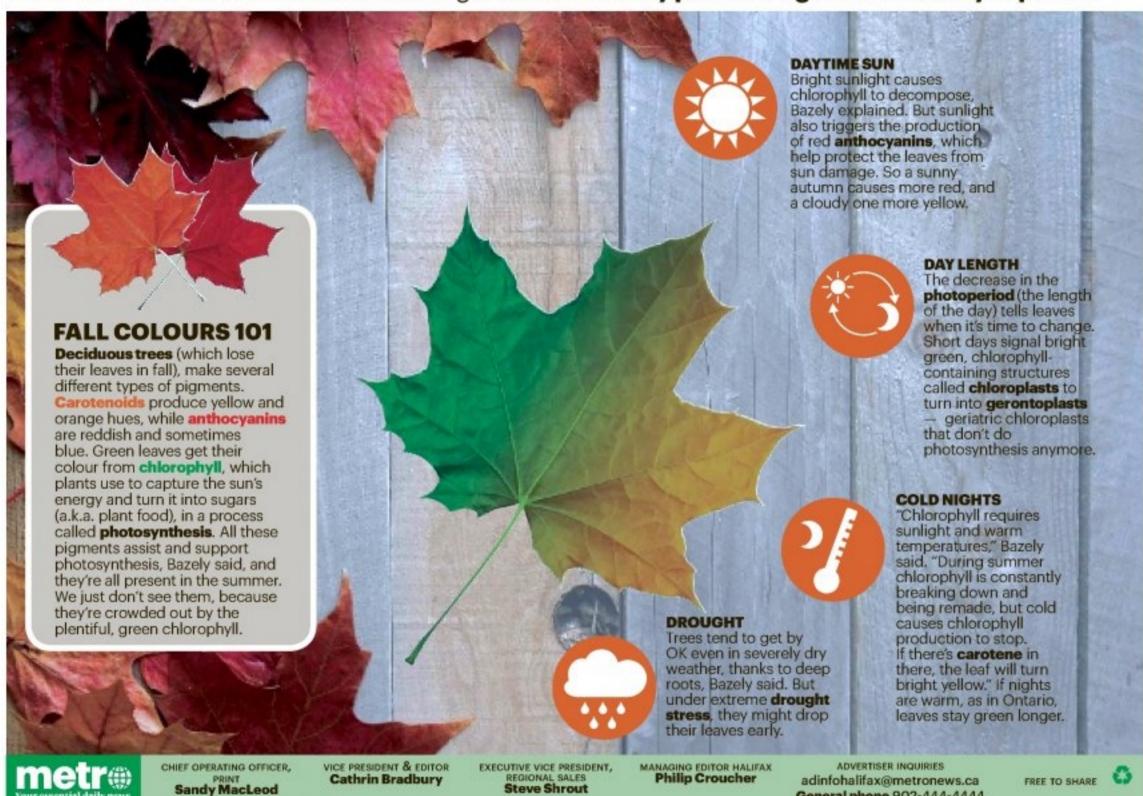
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Nature's superheroes, naked mole rats, have poorly functioning pain receptors that make them nearly impervious to trauma

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#### WHY ARE THE LEAVES CHANGING LATE?

Do boring fall bike rides have you feeling green with envy over parts of Canada where brilliant colours have begun? Every autumn, shortening days set off a series of genetic changes in trees. A build-up of cells at the base of leaves cuts off the flow of nutrients: That's part of it. But many other factors determine when and how the leaves change. York University plant biologist Dawn Bazely explains.





#### BIRD FLU GOES VIRAL

A team including scientists from Guelph, Ont. has discovered the 2014-2015 global outbreak of H5N8 influenza was spread in part by migrating wild birds carrying the virus from poultry farms in South Korea.

#### **SOUND SMART**



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Senescence is the process of aging in cells. It happens when cells stop dividing, change their function, but haven't died (yet). Cellular senescence is what's going on in your cells while you're undergoing organismal senescence (a.k.a., getting

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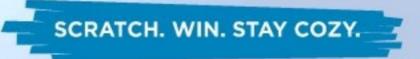






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MOVIES MUSIC TELEVISION DIGITAL



This weekend Ben Affleck plays an accountant with autism and a violent side in The Accountant, which also stars Anna Kendrick. CONTRIBUTED

### Crooks with pocket protectors

THE ACCOUNTANT

This dull profession still gets its time in the limelight

Richard Crouse



Ben Affleck plays the title role in the thriller The Accountant.

"Like, a CPA accountant?" asks a Treasury Department worker. "Not quite," replies agent Ray King (J. K. Simmons) in what might be the understatement of the year.

Affleck is a pocket-protector-

wearing forensic accountant who "risks his life cooking the books for some of the scariest people on the planet: drug cartels, arms brokers, money launderers, assassins." A math genius with autism and a violent side, he survives his dangerous world through dual facilities for arithmetic and mayhem. "He's a very distinct and unusual character," Affleck told Entertainment Weekly. "A little bit different than your average, everyday person in the way he processes information and social thinking, and the way he sees numbers and logic, and that he's trapped a little bit in his own mind."

Affleck joins a long list of actors who have looked for loopholes, legal, financial and otherwise, on the big screen.

#### **MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse**

The Accountant	***
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**HOW RATING WORKS** \*\*\*\* SEE IT \*\*\* WORTHWHILE UP TO YOU SKIP IT

The late, great Gene Wilder became a star playing bookkeeper Leo Bloom in The Producers. "I spend my life counting other people's money. People I'm smarter than." Bloom comes up with the get-rich-quick scheme to mount a terrible Broadway musical and make off with the investor's cash when the show flops. His plan falls apart when Springtime for Hitler becomes a hit but his business partner still

has good things to say. "You're an accountant," raves Max Bialystock. "You're in a noble profession! The word 'count' is part of your title!"

Rick Moranis played Louis Tully, an accountant possessed by an ancient spirit in Ghostbusters. Before he goes all supernatural Louis throws a bash to celebrate his fourth anniversary as an auditor at his swanky Central Park West apartment. "I'm givin' this

whole thing as a promotional expense," he says, "that's why I invited clients instead of friends." The scene was shot in one continuous take with Moranis making his way through the party, improvising perfectly nerdy dialogue - "This is real smoked salmon from Nova Scotia, Canada, \$24.95 a pound! It only cost me \$14.12 after tax, though."

In The Untouchables, Charles Martin Smith plays Oscar Wallace, the bespectacled book balancer who puts together the tax evasion case against notorious mobster Al Capone. The character was largely based on Frank Wilson, the IRS Criminal Investigator who spent years keeping tabs on Capone's financial dealings before laying charges. A selfpenned article on his exploits,

He Trapped Capone, inspired the 1949 Glenn Ford film The Undercover Man.

Cher initially turned down the Oscar-winning role of Loretta Castorini, the widowed accountant in Moonstruck who falls for a one-handed baker. Though exhausted from one of the busiest years of her career, she ultimately took the part. When Moonstruck was done she took a week off before shooting the courtroom drama Suspect.

Bloom, Tully, Wallace and Castorini are reel life bookkeepers, but in real life several actors almost chose figures over fame. Bob Newhart worked the ledger books for United States Gypsum and Eddie Izzard studied accountancy at the University of Sheffield.



# Role of vagabond comes naturally



Rookie actress Sasha Lane plays an 18-year-old from a troubled home, in American Honey, HANDOUT

#### **AMERICAN HONEY**

#### Sasha Lane talks about her accidental acting break

Richard Crouse



These days Sasha Lane is waiting for her next big film role, but not so long ago the 21-yearold American Honey star was waiting tables at a Mexican restaurant in Texas.

After a talent scout told her, "You have a face for movies," she left the eatery to embark on what she calls "the biggest blessing of my life."

With acting on her mind she answered an ad looking for people who were "wild, physical, fearless and ready for adventure. No acting experience required."

Her natural charisma impressed British director Andrea Arnold, who cast her in the lead role of a two-hourand-40-minute faux cinema vérité road movie that sees her play Star, an 18-year-old from a troubled home.

Her character's ticket out of the dysfunction she has grown up with is a travelling band of magazine sellers led by the charismatic Jake (Shia LaBeouf) and Krystal (Riley Keough).

For two months, Lane hit the highway, travelling the dusty back roads of the American Midwest shooting a movie

that was part scripted, part improvisation.

"We got sides the day before and the day of," Lane says.

"The scenes between Krystal and me were more scripted. This is the word, these are the lines. Some of the scenes where I'm in the van with the kids were more like, 'I need you to mention that. Get from point 'a' to point 'b.' Go with it. Fill it out a little bit."

It was a process of discovery for the first-time actress as she learned about her character as the shoot wove its way across country.

"I didn't know much about my character or much about what was happening," Lane says, "but Andrea would say to me stuff like, 'Sasha, you're representing all the girls who go through this.'

"I was thinking, 'don't be scared. You get to do this and in a way it's what you've always wanted to do.' I was studying psychology and social work in college. This is an artistic way to do what I wanted to do.

"I was excited and very much nervous because I had never done it before and people were going to be watching it. I knew it was a movie but it didn't really hit me until I saw

the trailer."

Life on the shoot was all encompassing —"You're in this bubble," she says. "I didn't have outside thoughts."- but not always exciting. "There was a lot of sitting in parking lots," she laughs.

Nonetheless she threw herself at the role.

"I remember when there were times I would go to Andrea and be like, 'I can't f-ing tell what the difference is between my life in this movie and my real life.' It was insane."

All the work paid off: "A Star is born," raved The Guardian and she's now weighing multiple offers.

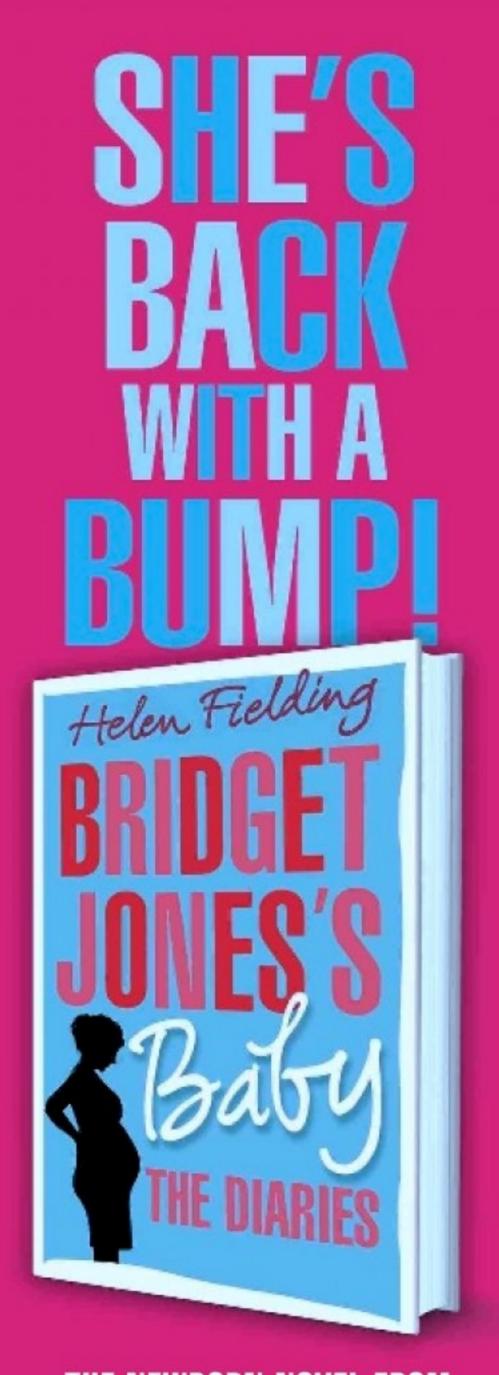
Rumours suggest she'll either star in Hunting Lila, based on the popular YA books by Sarah Alderson or Shoplifters of the World, a true-life drama about the night The Smiths announced they were calling it quits.

Wherever Lane lands it's certain the shoot will be much different from the singular American Honey shoot.

"I just did a short," she told me in September, "and I was like, 'Oh, I get to go back home?' Nothing is like this experience."



I remember when there were times I would to go Andrea (the director) and be like 'I can't tell what the difference is between my life in this movie and my real life' Sasha Lane



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### Highway of Tears given new context

**IMAGINATIVE FESTIVAL** 

Lisa Jackson creates virtual reality project on slain women

Kris Abel For Metro Canada

It's known as the Highway of Tears, an empty stretch of road in Northern British Columbia where at least 18 women. mainly indigenous, have gone missing or have been murdered since the 1970s.

The locals put the number at 50 women and their frustration at the lack of progress by the RCMP has been shared nationally through the news.

"For the native folks around there, the Highway of Tears is ground zero for them," explains Lisa Jackson, an indigenous filmmaker who has been commissioned by the CBC's The Current to capture the story in virtual reality. "That's where they come from, that's where their com-

munities are, and it's not an isolated stretch somewhere out beyond, it's the very centre where their ancestors have always been."

The four-minute experience will take you to the land and into the lives of those involved so you can see for yourself what it's like to live there.

"We were able to use aerial 360 video footage so you can look around from the sky above the highway" says Jackson, "and just see this gorgeous landscape and then you look down and there's this ribbon of highway which most of the time has no cars on it. We weren't making it into a tourism video, but it is gorgeous, there's just no two ways about it; there's mountains, it's green, it's just stunning up there."

When you enter the home of Matilda Wilson, whose daughter Ramona is among the murdered, it's a chance not only to hear her story, but to look around in her personal space.

"I've been to a lot of homes up in this area, on reserves, they're kind of unique because they're just plastered with

family photos in a way you that don't see very often" says

"It was a fairly modest home and on every wall was not only photographs of all her large family, but also tributes to Elvis. It was just such a colourful space."

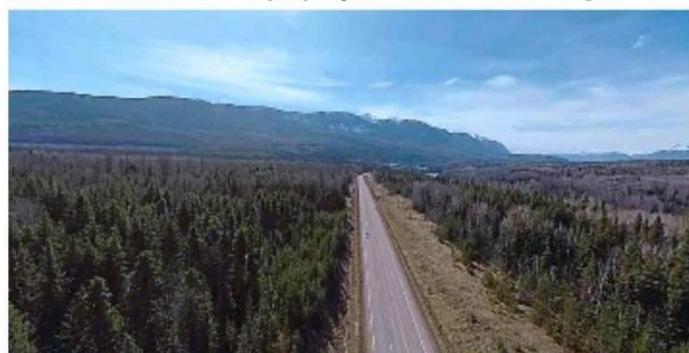
Through Matilda, we get to experience the night her daughter left for a party only to disappear. With virtual reality, Jackson says we can get "inside that experience of what it would be like to be that mother and the unknowing of it."

"Eventually she did find out the worst," Jackson confirms, "but just putting us in those shoes of how awful it would be to be in that situation and not know and sort of have the police say 'well, y'know, give it a couple of weeks, she'll probably come back."

The Highway of Tears VR will be featured in Toronto's ImagineNATIVE film & media arts festival from Oct. 19th -23 and will also be used for a series of Town Hall discussions across the country that will air on CBC radio, starting in Prince George, B.C.



Filmmaker Lisa Jackson has made a four-minute virtual reality story on the Highway of Tears. CONTRIBUTED



view of the highway. Inset, filmmaker Lisa Jackson. CONTRIBUTED





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ways something to do and new friends to meet.

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#### EUROPE

This isn't your 19th-century composer's fancy-dress ball

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When people think of Vienna, they think of grandiose buildings, philosophical talks in coffee shops, grand balls and classical music — but that's changing.

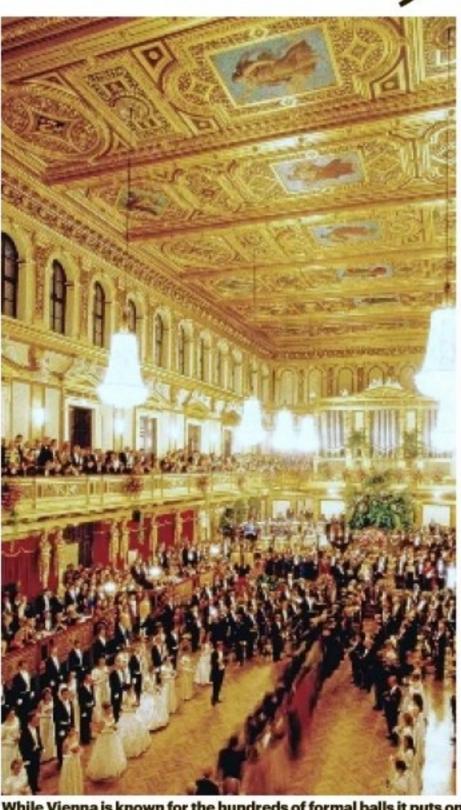
Vienna, named the most livable city in the world seven times by consulting firm Mercer, is attracting and retaining more youth than ever.

While once Austrian millennials flocked to Berlin, today they're staying put in Vienna and starting their businesses there as well, creating a welcoming place for the under-30 set. Case in point: While each January Vienna plays host to hundreds of balls where patrons don formal wear and dance the night away, the Hip Hop Ball instead opts for a giant nightclub vibe.

The gala, which sees patrons mix floor-length gowns with street gear, brought in more than 200 people last year, says 27-year-old founder Sajeh Tavasolie.

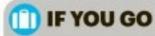
This year, it's moved to a bigger venue (a 19th-century building traditionally used to house classical music performances) to accommodate demand. The ball mixes traditional hip-hop dance with Viennese waltzing, which most youth learn from a young age, creating a unique atmosphere patrons won't find anywhere else.

### Vienna, remixed





While Vienna is known for the hundreds of formal balls it puts on every year, the Hip Hop Ball provides a refreshing alternative. Vienna is retaining more of its youth that it once lost to the likes of Berlin, who are starting their own businesses and bringing new life to the city. LEFT: @WIENTOURISMUS/MANFRED HORVATH, RIGHT: ANGELO KREUZBERGER



#### Save the date

The next Hip Hop Ball is taking place Jan. 28, 2017

Not to worry if you aren't around for ball season though —Vienna has surprising twists on classics all-year round.

Take Supersense, a coffeehouse that balances between traditional Viennese café and hipster hang-out. The café/store serves its espressos in a beautiful gilded baroque building. But wander into the back and everything old is new again: Shoppers can take a photo with the world's largest digital Polaroid, record a song in a make-shift studio booth made out of an old elevator cart and get their own record pressed, or even try their hand at the "scents lab," a kit that allows people to buy bottled smells. The idea is that the little capsules are to be broken at key moments people want to remember, so that they can build a scent memory.

No trip to Vienna would be complete without some orchestra. But rather than shell out hundreds for tickets to see a show in theatre, wander down to the Haus der Musik museum and take a teched-out tour of the classical music scene complete with holograms of Vienna's famous composers and a (creepy) motion-activated Mozart that mimics your facial movements.

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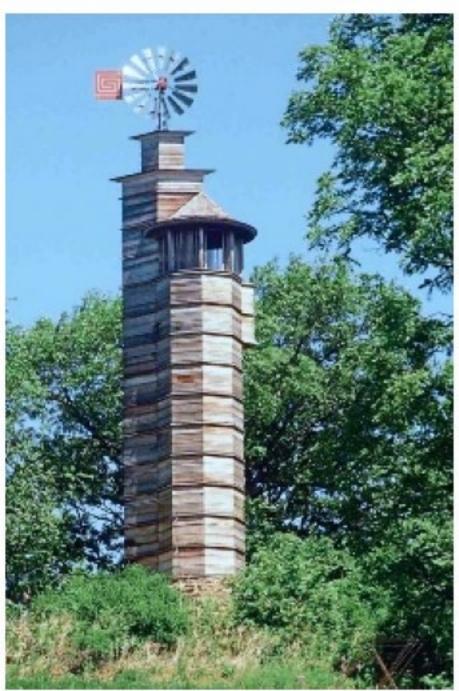
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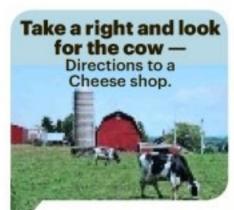
#### Famous architect spent summers on uncle's farm

Walking around Madison, Wisconsin, you might feel a sudden sharp pain in your leg, but it's probably just a pocketful of toothpicks from all the cheese curds you've sampled at the farmers market. Chalk it up to one of those 'Welcome to Wisconsin!' moments, starting with a display of orange cheesehead gear - worn by fans of the Green Bay Packers — that will greet you at Milwaukee's airport. Later, you get these directions to a cheese store: "Take a right and look for the cow."

You'll spend as much time admiring the Milwaukee Art Museum outside as you will looking at the art inside. From one angle, the white, winged Santiago Calatrava-designed building on the Lake Michigan waterfront looks like a bird in flight. From another angle, it's a ship setting sail. Inside, white ribs form a futuristic tunnel with a lake view.

But don't forget the art: the spooky hooded figure of Saint Francis of Assisi in His Tomb; an excellent Georgia O'Keeffe collection, including a striking photo of her shot by her husband Alfred Stieglitz; and a suitcase propped open on the floor, an untitled work by Robert Gober that reveals an entire subterranean world.

It's so crowded at the Dane County Farmers' Market that you can't choose which way to walk. You can only flow with the sea of humanity in one direction past tables overflowing with fruits, veggies, flowers, baked goods and of course, cheese curds, those squeaky bits of fresh cheese goodness, in flavours ranging from dill to Sriracha. The market runs Saturdays until 1:45 p.m. through Nov. 5 around the state capitol,



then moves indoors to Madison's Monona Terrace, Saturdays Nov. 12-Dec. 17.

Drive to nearby Middleton for a quick stop at the National Mustard Museum (free admission, goofy mustard-inspired art and every type of mustard imaginable). Then rent a bike for a ride around Lake Monona. The lake trail often detours from the waterfront and it's hilly (you thought the Midwest was flat?). But exercise will feel good after eating all that cheese.

America's most famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, spent his teenage summers working on his uncle's Wisconsin farm. You can see how that landscape of farms and rolling hills influenced Wright's style and esthetics at Taliesin, his house and estate in Spring Green.

Wright set out to replace the vertical boxy shape that dominated home design in the late 19th and early 20th centuries with modernist structures that flowed horizontally like the Midwestern prairie.

Talies in was a lab for his ideas: open floor plans rather than walled-off rooms, large windows with expansive views and a structure built to suit the terrain. House tours are offered daily through Oct. 31 and Friday-

Sunday through November.

Taliesin was also the site of a shocking crime: A house employee murdered Wright's mistress and six others in 1914 and set fire to the house. But Wright was resilient. He rebuilt and kept going. New York's Guggenheim Museum, was being built when he died at age 89 in 1959.

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"The logo — Chief Wahoo — is one that was troubling to me personally": Jays president Mark Shapiro who was once a Cleveland executive

# Jays hang loose amid post-season pressure

#### Cleveland won regular-season series 4-3

A loose bunch of Blue Jays wasted little time making some changes to their Progressive Field home away from home for the American League Championship Series with Cleveland.

With the clubhouse closed to the media during the post-season, it was up to centre-fielder Kevin Pillar to partially spill the

"All of our name plates have been changed from our normal names," Pillar said as the Toronto players met reporters in a stadium restaurant ahead of Game 1 Friday with the Indians. "I wasn't in there during it but someone's given everyone nicknames already. Not the nicest of nicknames but that's just how we are - we keep it loose, we keep it fun.

"No one is safe, whether you're the MVP, a multipletime all-star or the rookie sitting across. Everyone's got free rein to say what they want and do what they want and that's what makes the environment



Jason Grilli, left, and Marcus Stroman share a laugh during the Blue Jays' extra-innings victory over the Rangers on Sunday in Toronto. VAUGHN RIDLEY/GETTY IMAGES

so fun."

Staying loose is nothing new for the Blue Jays, who are trying to make the most of the post-season moment after falling two wins shy of the World Series last season.

"Enjoy (it)," veteran shortstop Troy Tulowitzki said Thursday. "That's what I try to tell all these young guys on the team. It's not easy to get here. For it to be

our second year in a row speaks volumes about the guys on this team."

Having recovered from a 3-9 start to September, they fought their way into the playoffs, survived the wild-card hurdle and swept Texas in the AL Division Series.

The Indians present a considerable challenge. Cleveland won the AL Central before

sweeping the Boston Red Sox.

The Indians can manufacture runs with their bats and speed, ranking fourth in the majors with 134 stolen bases (Toronto was 25th with 54). Andrew Miller and Cody Allen lead a more than capable bullpen.

The Jays were the only AL team whose starters' ERA (3.64) was under 4.00. Cleveland was next at 4.08. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### **ALCS** head to head

How Toronto and Cleveland stack up positionally TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE; PHOTOS BY GETTY IMAGES



#### Starters

No one has as much depth in their four-man rotation as do the Blue Jays. Toronto's starters are a combined 55-22. The Indians have a Cy Young candidate in Corey Kluber, plus Trevor Bauer and Josh Tomlin, but they lost RH Danny Salazar and RH Carlos Carrasco to injury. **EDGE: Toronto.** 

#### Bullpen

RH Jason Grilli and RH Joe Biagini, plus LH Brett Cecil are the main setup men for 21-year-old closer Roberto Osuna. But the Indians have a versatile, elite bullpen with closer Cody Allen and lefty setup man Andrew Miller. EDGE: Cleveland.

#### Lineup

The Toronto lineup has bounced back in the postseason to strike fear in the hearts of opponents. Of the 21 playoff home runs hit in the AL this year, 10 have been hit by the Jays. Cleveland has great balance, with five switchhitters and three left-handed bats. EDGE: Even.



#### Intangibles

The Jays have the home-crowd advantage, with a raucous atmosphere that fuels them. The Jays are 9-4 in their past 13 playoff games. Cleveland's Terry Francona is 31-18 record as a manager in the post-season. EDGE: Jays.

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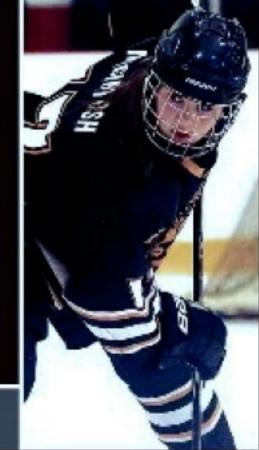
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# How Matthews' debut rates against the greats

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#### Leafs' No. 1 pick sets bar high by topping all with four-goal haul

Auston Matthews became the first player in NHL history to score four goals in his regularseason debut as the Toronto Maple Leafs fell 5-4 to the Ottawa Senators in overtime on Wednesday night.

Matthews is the fifth player in NHL history to score a hat trick in his regular-season debut and the first in Maple Leafs history.

The 19-year-old Matthews was drafted first overall in the 2016 draft and was Toronto's first No. 1 selection since Wendel Clark in 1985. He's one of several players to have memorable debuts in the NHL. Here's how five other superstars fared in their first career NHL game.

#### Alex Ovechkin

The No. 1 pick from the 2004 NHL draft was the first Washington Capitals player to score twice in his first NHL game, a 3-2 victory over the Columbus Blue Jackets



Up next, Auston Matthews and the Leafs host the Boston Bruins on Saturday night. VAUGHN RIDLEY/GETTY IMAGES

on Oct. 5, 2005. Ovechkin would score 52 times in his rookie season and captured the Calder Trophy at season's end.

#### **Sidney Crosby**

The ultra-hyped superstar recorded an assist in his NHL debut on Oct. 5, 2005 — a 5-1 loss to the New Jersey Devils. Crosby, who was picked No. 1 overall in the 2005 draft, was a minus-2 rating in his debut, recording three shots and logging 15:50 in ice time. The Cole Harbour native would find the back of the net in his

third game against Boston and finished the season with 39 goals and 102 points.

#### Wayne Gretzky

One of the greatest players of all time made his NHL debut on Oct. 10, 1979 and recorded an assist in a 4-2 road loss for the Edmonton Oilers against the Chicago Blackhawks. The goal, scored by Kevin Lowe, was the first for Edmonton in the NHL after it joined the league from the World Hockey Association. Gretzky had his first NHL goal in his third game and finished the year with

51 goals and 137 points.

#### Mario Lemieux

Like Matthews, Lemieux scored in his NHL debut on Oct. 11, 1984 on his first shift of the game. The Penguins legend would add an assist, although Pittsburgh fell 4-3 to the Boston Bruins. Lemieux was the No. 1 pick in the 1984 draft and finished his rookie season with 43 goals and 100 points.

#### Connor McDavid

The now-Oilers captain had two shots in his debut last fall against the St. Louis Blues but failed to record a point. The No. 1 pick in the 2015 NHL draft logged 18:07 in his first game throughout 22 shifts and was a minus-1 rating. A shoulder injury sidelined McDavid for a large portion of his inaugural season but he finished with 16 goals and 48 points in 45 games. When McDavid heard about Matthews' quadruple on Wednesday he said, "I think in my first game I touched the puck four times, so it was a little bit of a different night for us on our opening nights ... he just seemed to explode,

I guess." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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#### Rivera upbeat after Cam practises again

Panthers quarterback Cam Newton was a full participant in practice Thursday, another indicator the league's reigning MVP will likely play Sunday against the New Orleans Saints.

Coach Ron Rivera said that while Newton remains in the NFL's concussion protocol, it's a positive sign that he was able to practise fully. Rivera said he doesn't know when Newton's next meeting with neurologists will be — or when he might be cleared to play.

"This is just the next step and it's all about how he reacts to everything," Rivera said.

Newton declined interview requests on Thursday. Running back Jonathan Stewart, who has



Cam Newton GETTY IMAGES

missed the last three games with a hamstring injury, also practised for the second straight day and said he could face the Saints.

Left tackle Michael Oher (concussion), cornerback James Bradberry (toe) and defensive tackles Vernon Butler (ankle) and Paul Soliai (foot) did not practise and Rivera indicated they likely will not play. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



#### IN BRIEF

#### Kings' Quick out injured

The Los Angeles Kings have placed Jonathan Quick on injured reserve after the star goalie got hurt in the first period of their season opener. The Kings announced the move Thursday. Quick incurred a lower-body injury during Los Angeles' opener at San Jose.

He was replaced by Jeff Zatkoff for the final two periods of the Kings' 2-1 loss. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Piercy sets course record

Scott Piercy began the new PGA Tour season by setting the course record at Silverado with a 10-under 62 to take a two-shot lead at the Safeway Open Thursday.

Conditions were practically perfect in the morning, and so was Piercy. He made 12 birdies, was rarely out of position except for two tee shots and even missed a pair of birdie chances inside eight feet. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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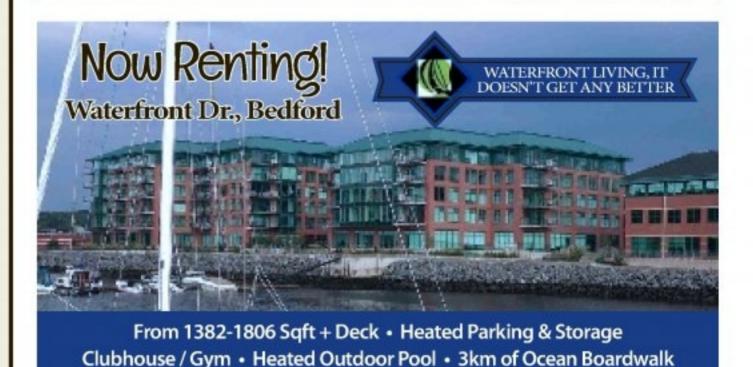




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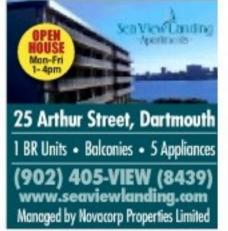
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Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes Serves 6

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- 2 onions, chopped
- 2 to 3 Tbsp vegetable oil · 3-inch piece of ginger, grated or
- minced 4 cloves of garlic, minced
- 2 or 3 big handfuls of baby spinach, washed and stems trimmed
- 2 tsp turmeric
- 1 tsp cumin
- 1/2 tsp ground coriander
- 1/2 tsp cayenne (optional)

- 1 x 28 oz can tomatoes 1 x 28 oz can of chickpeas
- 1 cup water
- · Pinch of salt

#### Directions

 Sauté onions and pinch of salt in oil until they are quite soft, about 10 minutes. Add garlic and ginger and stir for about a minute or two. Add spices and cook for another minute.

2. Add chickpeas and tomatoes. Use the back of a spoon to break up the tomatoes. Add the water and bring to a boil. Add the spinach, reduce heat and simmer for about 15 minutes.

3. Serve over rice and with a dollop of plain yogurt on top.

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#### **\* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS** Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20 This is a challenging day! Relationships with partners and close friends are unpredictable. Some relationships might even end. Clashes with authority figures are intense. (Yikes!)

Taurus April 21 - May 21 Your work routine will be inte rupted with computer crashes, equipment breakdowns, canceled meetings or fire drills. It could be anything. Avoid touchy subjects, because people are ready to quarrel.

Gemini May 22 - June 21 This is an accident-prone day for your kids, so be extra vigilant. Arguments about the care and education of children, shared expenses or the division of labor might arise.

Cancer June 22 - July 23 Family squabbles are likely today, because something at home will occur unexpectedly. Small appliances might break down or minor breakages could occur. Have patience!

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23 This is an accident-prone day for your sign, so pay attention to everything you say and do. Think before you speak. Avoid arguments with co-workers.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23 Something to do with your cash flow or your finances will surprise you today or catch you off guard. Double-check everything. Financial squabbles with your kids or a romantic partner might occur.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 Discussions are heated today because people are obsessed about whatever concerns them. Furthermore, you or someone else might demand more freedom in relationship

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 This is a tough day because you feel restless and indecisive. Too many things are going on. Instead of being frazzled, be patient and diplomatic when talking to others.

▼ Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 You might be upset with a friend today or with your interaction with a member of a group. This could be because something unexpected occurs. Don't overreact.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20 Conversations with bosses and authority figures might upset you today. Perhaps someone will say something that throws you a curveball. Be careful. Don't quit your day job.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19 Travel plans will be delayed, canceled or rescheduled today. Ditto for school plans for many of you. Just cope as best you can

#### ) Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20 Make friends with your bank account because something unexpected will affect your finances. Get all your facts first before you decide what to do. Don't just shoot from the hip with guesswork.

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